

Bradley County Commission Louie Alford, Chairman WORK SESSION MINUTES

August 27, 2018, at 7:00p.m. Bradley County Schools Central Office

Members present: Chairman Louie Alford, Milan Blake, Terry Caywood, Thomas Crye, Bobby Goins, Mike Hughes, Johnny Mull, Charlotte Peak, Dan Rawls, Robert Rominger, Howard Thompson, Bill Winters, Vice Chairman Jeff Yarber

Members absent: Mark Hall

Chairman Louie Alford called the meeting to order.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Johnny Mull, Waterville Baptist Church Pastor Coby Goins prayed the invocation.

REPORT FROM COUNTY MAYOR

County Mayor D. Gary Davis presented service appreciation plaques to Commissioners Terry Caywood, Dan Rawls, and Robert Rominger.

Mayor Davis reminded Commissioners the swearing in ceremony for the Commission will be Tuesday, September 4, at 9:00a.m. on the Courthouse Plaza.

REPORTS FROM DISTRICTS/COMMITTEES

1st District

Commissioner Caywood thanked fellow Commissioners for their support and friendship over the years.

Commissioner Mike Hughes expressed appreciation to Caywood, Hall, Rawls, and Rominger for their service.

2nd District

Commissioner Thomas Crye expressed his appreciation to the outgoing Commissioners and wished them the best in their future endeavors.

3rd District

Commissioner Milan Blake thanked the outgoing Commissioners for their service to Bradley County.

Blake requested from the County Attorney a comprehensive overview of county contracts by the end of October.

Commissioner Mull expressed appreciation for the service of the exiting Commissioners.

Mull reported the Emergency Services Committee recently met and agreed with Fire Chief Shawn Fairbanks to establish a full time fire inspector position effective November 4, 2018. Mull added the position can be covered by the current year budget. Mayor Davis noted the first year cost to create the position may be covered by the current budget, but advised additional funding will have to be added in future budgets.

4th District

Commissioner Charlotte Peak thanked outgoing Commissioners for their service.

Commissioner Howard Thompson also thanked outgoing Commissioners for their service.

Thompson presented to the Commission a letter from Bradley Cleveland Community Services Agency Executive Director Demetrius Ramsey asking the Commission to consider requesting annexation for the Senior Center in order to qualify for lower inside the city utility rates. Thompson asked the Chairman to draft a letter to the Cleveland Utilities Board and Cleveland City Mayor requesting forgiveness for the bill resulting from the Cleveland Utilities accounting error as well as the lower inside the city rate. Vice Chairman Yarber requested the letter also contain a request for rate breakdown and rate differentiation.

5th District

Vice Chairman Jeff Yarber thanked the outgoing Commissioners for their service.

Vice Chairman Yarber reported the Sheriff's litter crew collected 3,860 pounds of litter.

Commissioner Bobby Goins thanked the outgoing Commissioners for their service.

6th District

Commissioner Dan Rawls thanked fellow Commissioners for the pleasure of serving the past four years.

Commissioner Robert Romiger thanked fellow Commissioners for their friendship and service and wished Commissioner Elect Erica Davis success.

7th District

Commissioner Bill Winters thanked the outgoing Commissioners for their service to the county.

AGENDA ITEMS

Vice Chairman Yarber placed on the September 4, 2018, voting session agenda a request to present upon retirement to Sargent Steve McCollum his Glock generation 1 service weapon serial number CKL812US.

Commissioner Blake placed on the September 4, 2018, voting session agenda a resolution authorizing Bradley County Mayor to enter into a five (5) year lease purchase agreement with Community Leasing Partners, a division of Community First National Bank, for seventy (70) SCBAs and face pieces for the fire department for a total of four hundred ninety eight thousand eight hundred and eighty three dollars (\$498,883.00) plus interest at a rate of 3.89%.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Daniel Batchelor reported the Bradley County Sessions Court is placing on probation any individual receiving a traffic citation that is unable to pay the full citation amount and court fees with thirty (30) days. Commissioner Winters requested the County Attorney review the matter. Chairman Alford asked the Law Enforcement Committee to consider the matter.

James Teageue asked why the Road Department no longer paves Teague Road all the way and now stops one hundred forty (140) feet from his driveway. Chairman Alford referred the matter to the Road Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next meeting is a voting session on Tuesday, September 4, at 7:00p.m., in the Central Office board room. Red Pony Mercantile grand opening, Wednesday, August 29, 11:00a.m., 151 Inman Street Sheriff's swearing in, Saturday, September 1, 10:00a.m., Bradley High School Fine Arts Building Commission swearing in, Tuesday, September 4, 9:00a.m., Courthouse Plaza Road Committee, Wednesday, August 29, 1:30p.m., Old Parksville Trail

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.